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Attention:

Manager, Professional and Construction Services Section

M/S EXC-FI-1250 Proposal Protest

1. Protesting Party:

W&H Pacific, Inc. Mark I, Napier, P.E. 3350 Monte Villa Parkway Bothell, Washington 98021 (425) 951-4800

2. RFP Number E93066E

Contract Title: Design Services for the King County International Airport, Runway 13L-31R Overlay

3. Grounds for Protest:

In response to your Request for Proposal, our firm prepared and submitted a Letter of Interest, Statement of Qualifications, and Proposal. In preparation of our submittal, we contacted Mr. Joe Hicker on March 28, 2000, with technical questions as designated in your advertisement. At that time, we requested an opportunity to visit the site. Mr. Hicker stated that, in order for us to do so, he would need to issue an addendum and invite all interested parties. Due to time constraints, he preferred not to issue an addendum. We complied with Mr. Hicker's request, and prepared our proposal without visiting the site.

On April 17, 2000, we were informed that Reid Middleton has been selected for the project based on the ranking of its submittal. It has come to our attention that Reid Middleton may have been afforded the opportunity to visit the site. In our opinion, this provided them an advantage in preparation of their submittal, and their visit to the site was contrary to Mr. Hicker's directions.

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4. Specific Ruling or Relief Requested:

If Reid Middleton did, in fact, visit the site and include information from the visit in their submittal, we hereby request that Reid Middleton's submittal:

- be considered not in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Request for Proposal,
- be considered non-responsive and, therefore,
- be subject to disqualification as stated in your advertisement.

Failing this, we request that the submittals be re-evaluated following removal of information contained in their submittal which may have been obtained through their visit to the site.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and await your response.

Sincercly,

W&H PACIFIC, INC.

Mark I. Napier, P.E.

Project Manager



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Mr. Mark I. Napier, P.E. W&H Pacific 3350 Monte Villa Parkway Bothell, WA 98021

Request for Proposal (RFP) E93066E, Design Services for the King County International Airport Runway 13L-13R Overlay

Dear Mr. Napier:

This letter is to inform you that we have received your proposal protest letter dated April 20, 2000 for the subject RFP. We are currently investigating the situation and will respond as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (206) 684-2049.

Sincerely

Kendall H. Moore, Supervisor

Professional and Construction Services Section

cc:

Joyce Stahn, DCFM (ADM-CF-0302) John Current, DCFM (ACF-CF-0100)